

sNPr2 ( 21 *mer*): 5'- cta agt tgt aat acg tgg agc -3' (SEQ ID NO: 16)

sNPr3 (21 *mer*): 5'- cca tcg atc tca aga aca tgc -3' (SEQ ID NO: 17)

For the sequencing of the P gene coding region

pTrcHis2F (21 *mer*): 5'- gag gta tat att aat gta tcg -3' (SEQ ID NO: 18)

sPfl1 (21 *mer*): 5'- gtc gac ttt gtg cag gcg atg -3' (SEQ ID NO: 19)

sPf2 (21 *mer*): 5'- gga cac tgt ccg tgc att gat -3' (SEQ ID NO: 20)

pTrcHis2.R (18 *mer*): 5'- gat tta atc tgt atc agg -3' (SEQ ID NO: 21)

sPr1 (21 *mer*): 5'- cca ggg tcc aga att ttc atc -3' (SEQ ID NO: 22)

sPr2 (22 *mer*): 5'- ggt gtg gat agc tgt ttg tct g -3' (SEQ ID NO: 23)

### **In the Claims**

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Amended) A nucleic acid molecule encoding the full-length or part of the nucleocapsid (NP) protein of Newcastle disease virus (NDV).
2. (Amended) The nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, wherein the nucleic acid molecule comprises the nucleotide sequence set forth as SEQ ID NO: 1.
3. (Amended) A nucleic acid molecule encoding the full-length or part of the phosphoprotein (P) of Newcastle disease virus (NDV).
4. (Amended) The nucleic acid molecule of claim 3, wherein the nucleic acid molecule comprises the nucleotide sequence set forth as SEQ ID NO: 2.
5. (Amended) A nucleocapsid (NP) protein of Newcastle disease virus (NDV) encoded by the nucleic acid molecule of claim 1 or claim 2, wherein the protein comprises the amino acid sequence set forth as SEQ ID NO: 3.